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Comments:

I feel that the area directly west of the plume has not been tested sufficiently to rule out the possibility of contamination. Specifically the area of Tresemer Road and Valerie Road has seen very little testing either in the beginning of the study or in recent years. According to your records the area has had no testing since 1998, and only sporadic testing prior to that even though there was some early indication of contamination in the area. As your own study shows, the TCE numbers are decreasing somewhat annually, thus it would have been possible that this area was among the first areas to have hazardous levels due to the ground levels and that they have now decreased to "normal" levels.

In addition, I have concerns about the current water supply due to the fact that 281 wells were closed off.

This will impact the ground water as well. Will the loss of usage of these wells impact the direction of the ground water flow? Will the change in pressure due to the usage changes impact the direction of the ground water flow?

Also, it has been stated that the contaminated ground water flows toward the river. The river makes many bends and curves in that area but you have still only considered that the contamination flows in a straight line.

Additionally, there needs to be a study done as to the number of people impacted with health concerns in this area. Even if the TCE levels in the water in this region are now within "safe drinking water standards", there exists the possibility of prior contamination thus causing many serious health conditions.

As far as the treatment of the site, I believe no matter the cost difference, the site needs to be cleaned up as quickly as possible. Any additional exposure to these hazards is to put human life, and quality of life at risk.

I feel that the Ground Water Pump and Treat option would be the best solution for the community and that the expenses for this need to be covered by the responsible parties. I feel the time difference 8 years vs. 15 years is totally unacceptable as the community has had exposure to this situation for far too long as it is.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

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